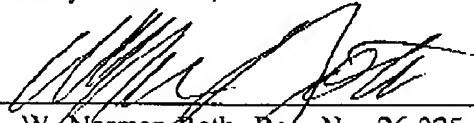


of a power input shaft and a power output shaft may be closely spaced from each other. This is possible since the plug in coupling has a diameter sufficiently small to be received in an input shaft opening in the brake housing where it is positioned generally in radial alignment with the magnetic coils. This embodiment involving a plug in coupling is particularly advantageous since it permits brakes of this type to be retrofit onto motor drive shafts without additional bearings

Plug in couplings are known in in the art of clutches and other applications, examples being shown in US. Pat. 3,831,724, the cover page of US 2003/0176222 and, fairly similar, Fig. 1 of US Pat. 2,943,464,

Favorable consideration and early allowance in view of the amended claims and above remarks is respectfully requested.

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